

**Amendment in Response to Non-Final Office Action**

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Simon R. Hall

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For: **METHOD FOR OPTIMISING DIETS FOR  
COMPANION ANIMALS**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.